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The reply filed on 22 January 2007 is not fully responsive to the outstanding election requirement because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): Applicant must include an identification of the Species that is elected consonant with the election requirement, and a listing of all claims readable thereon, including any claims subsequently added. Applicant indicated that the species of "FIG. 2" was elected and set forth claims readable on "FIG. 2"; however, Applicant failed to indicate the actual Species number that was elected. Since each of the indicated Species 1-4 is a part of Figure 2 (i.e. FIGS 2, 2A, 2B, 2C), it is not clear whether Applicant has actually made a restriction among the species. Moreover, Applicant failed to indicate whether the election was with or without traverse.

Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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